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Annotations

1. Organizational matters

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for the annual session of 2014 and agree on the agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2014. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on the first regular session, 20 January 2014 (UNW/2014/1).

Documentation

- Annotated provisional agenda and workplan
- Report on the first regular session, 20 January 2014 (UNW/2014/1)
- Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session

2. Strategic plan

Pursuant to its decision 2011/3, paragraph 9 (UNW/2011/13), the Executive Board will consider the annual progress report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on the Entity's strategic plan, 2011-2013.

Documentation

- Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director on progress made in implementing the strategic plan, 2011-2013, for 2013

3. Evaluation

The Executive Board will be presented with the report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2013 (UNW/2014/3) and the corporate evaluation plan for 2014-2017. In accordance with Executive Board decisions 2012/9 (UNW/2012/16) and 2013/4 (UNW/2013/11) and in line with the Entity's adherence to the evaluation norms and standards of the United Nations Evaluation Group, the report assesses the performance of the Entity's evaluation function against the key performance indicators of a global evaluation oversight system. The report also describes actions taken to achieve system-wide coordination of the evaluation of gender equality and the empowerment of women and to support national and regional capacities for such evaluation.

The joint evaluation of joint programmes on gender equality in the United Nations system will also be presented. In 2012 and 2013, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), UN-Women and the Millennium Development Goals Fund, in partnership with the Governments of Norway and Spain, undertook a joint evaluation of such programmes to address a gap in evaluative evidence on joint gender programmes implemented at the country level after 2006. The report contains four overarching recommendations, directed to United Nations entities (including the United Nations Development Group), host Governments, civil society and donors, to improve the next generation of programmes on gender equality.

Documentation

- Report on the evaluation function of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, 2013 (UNW/2014/3)
- 2014-2017 corporate evaluation plan
- Joint evaluation of joint programmes on gender equality in the United Nations system
- Joint management response to the joint evaluation of joint programmes on gender equality in the United Nations system

4. Pledging event

The members of the Executive Board and observers are invited to announce their pledges for the current year and beyond (2014-2017) in order to enhance the predictability and sustainability of the funding of UN-Women.

No advance documentation is expected.

5. Audit matters

The Executive Board will consider the report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2013 and the related management response. The report of the Audit Advisory Committee and related management response will also be presented to the Executive Board.

Documentation

- Report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2013
- Report of the Audit Advisory Committee

6. Joint field visits

The Executive Board will be presented with the report on the joint field visits of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to Panama and El Salvador, which took place between 23 March and 1 April 2014.

Documentation

- Report on the joint field visits of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to Panama and El Salvador, 23 March-1 April 2014.

7. Other matters

The Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

No advance documentation is expected.

Tentative workplan

Day/time	*Agenda item*	*Subject*
Tuesday, 17 June		
10-11.30 a.m.		Opening of the session
		• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the head of UN-Women
	1	Organizational matters
		• Election of the Vice-President (African States)
		• Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session of 2014
		• Adoption of the report on the first regular session, 20 January 2014
11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Strategic plan
		• Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director on progress made in implementing the strategic plan, 2011-2013, for 2013
3-6 p.m.	2	Strategic plan (*continued*)
		Informal consultations on draft decisions
Wednesday, 18 June		
10-11.30 a.m.	3	Evaluation
		• Report on the evaluation function of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
		• 2014-2017 corporate evaluation plan
		• Joint evaluation of joint programmes on gender equality in the United Nations system
		• Joint management response to the joint evaluation of joint programmes on gender equality in the United Nations system
11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	4	Pledging event
1.20-2.30 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
3-4 p.m.		Special briefing on the operational response of UN-Women at the country level
4-6 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*

Day time	*Agenda item*	*Subject*
Thursday, 19 June		
10-11 a.m.	5	Audit matters
		• Report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2013
		• Report of the Audit Advisory Committee
11 a.m.-1 p.m.	6	Joint field visits
		• Report on the joint field visits of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to Panama and El Salvador, 23 March-1 April 2014
	7	Other matters
		Adoption of draft decisions
	1	Organizational matters
		• Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2014
		Closing of the session
		• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the head of UN-Women